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12. (Original) The article of claim 10, wherein the substrate is rigid.
13. (Original) The article of claim 10, wherein the substrate is flexible.
14. (Original) The article of claim 10, wherein the substrate is flat.
15. (Original) The article of claim 10, wherein the substrate is curved.
16. (Original) The article of claim 10, further comprising a second substrate attached to the second slidable fastener.
17. (Currently amended) The bearing assembly of claim 1, wherein the bearing assembly comprises multiple slidable fasteners interengaged to multiple bearings, wherein at least one slidable fastener is not parallel to at least one other slidable fastener; and wherein at least one slidable fastener has substantially unrestricted biaxial motion relative to at least one other slidable fastener; and wherein all the slidable fasteners have substantially restricted motion in the axial direction perpendicular to the slidable fasteners.
18. (Original) The bearing assembly of claim 1, further comprising a substrate located between the first and second bearing pieces wherein the flat side of the base sheet opposite the ribbed surface of the first bearing piece is attached to the substrate, and the flat side of the base sheet opposite the ribbed surface of the second bearing piece is attached to an opposite side of the same substrate, such that the ribs of the second bearing piece are not parallel to the ribs of the first bearing piece, to form a bearing.
19. (Original) The bearing assembly of claim 1, wherein the flat side of the first and second bearing pieces are laminated to each other with an adhesive.
20. (Original) The bearing assembly of claim 1, wherein the bearing further comprises a rotational element that is attached to the bearing and wherein the bearing

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provides rotational motion about a hypothetical axis extending through the bearing while substantially preventing motion perpendicular to the bearing.

21. (Original) The bearing assembly of claim 17, wherein the bearings further comprise rotational elements that are attached to the bearings and wherein the bearings provide rotational motion about a hypothetical axis extending through the bearings while substantially preventing motion perpendicular to the bearings.

22. (Original) The bearing assembly of claim 1, further including a one-dimensional slidable fastener to allow z-direction motion.

23. (Original) The bearing assembly of claim 1, wherein the parallel ribs comprise a series of closely spaced projections.

24. (Original) The bearing assembly of claim 1, wherein verification occurs when the ribs of at least one of the first and second bearing piece are interengaged with at least one of the first and second slidable fastener.

25. (Original) The bearing assembly of claim 24, wherein the verification is an audible sound.